



**Strawberry Valley Golf Committee  
Wednesday, November 10, 2021  
Strawberry Valley Golf Course Clubhouse**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

**Members Present:** Steve Wakelin, Chris Nagle, Beau Ryan, Paul Kelleher & Rene Vadeboncoeur

**Members Absent:** Bryan Paine

**PROCEEDINGS:**

Mr. Wakelin opened the meeting at 5:00 and asked Mr. Vadeboncoeur to address the committee with course updates.

***Course Update:***

Mr. Vadeboncoeur reported:

October wasn't a bad month but there was a lot of rain the first and last week of the month.

The storm took down twelve large trees and one on the 4<sup>th</sup> hole needs a loader to move it.

**LIST OF TREES AND DAMAGE BY HOLE:**

Two trees on the 1<sup>st</sup> fairway

One tree on the 2<sup>nd</sup> green

Tee box damage on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole

Huge tree on the 4<sup>th</sup> need loader to move it

Large maple fell on tee box on the 5<sup>th</sup> hole

40' oak tree on the 6<sup>th</sup> green

Spruce tree on the 7<sup>th</sup> near the tee box

Tree fell in the woods near the 8<sup>th</sup> hole

Large tree on the 9<sup>th</sup> fell backwards towards the pump house

Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated he would like to plant spruce trees

Mr. Vadeboncoeur reporting the finance department asked him to get W9's from companies doing business with Strawberry Valley.

Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated if November continues to be a good month the course could possibly hid last FY number.

Mr. Vadeboncoeur reported he put next year's budget numbers in the computer but didn't have to include warrant items. Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated he has to attend a special town meeting to adjust some payroll items due to changes.

Mr. Wakelin asked what the total budget will be and Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated \$320,000 which includes \$40,000 for accounting.

Mr. Vadeboncoeur asked if he could get a 5% increase this year to be competitive with similar golf managers.

Mr. Ryan motioned to approve the 5% increase and Mr. Nagle seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Mr. Wakelin asked if course employee were still working and Mr. Vadeboncoeur replied employees are on the budget until December 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

***SUMMARY: (New open meeting law)***

### ***Trufant Land:***

#### ***Well:***

Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated he is still talking with Well Companies and hoping to have the job done in January or February while ground is frozen. Mr.

Vadeboncoeur feels the safest place to put a new well is near the 5<sup>th</sup> tee box but does need an engineer to determine where to dig. Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated he needs to get approval from the Health Department.

### ***Tournaments:***

### ***Netting:***

### ***Fence:***

### ***Minutes:***

Mr. Kelleher motioned to accept the October minutes and Mr. Nagle seconded the motion; all were in favor.

### ***Town Appreciation Day:***

***Capital Plan:***

Mr. Vadeboncoeur reported he received a quote of \$100,000 for a new rough mower and \$60,000 for trees and removal. HVAC would run around \$30,000. Committee needs to get estimates for clubhouse improvements; Mr. Vadeboncoeur feels it will be around \$250,000. Mr. Kelleher offered to get someone come and give ideas for improvements.

Next year Mr. Vadeboncoeur would like to add sprayer and loader. Mr. Nagle stated he would like to see loader on this year's budget and Mr. Vadeboncoeur stated an estimate will be close to \$40,000 or \$50,000.

***House:***

Mr. Olson is replacing the screen door at the house. Mr. Vadeboncoeur asked if the invoice could be dropped off at course or mailed to the Town Hall.

Mr. Ryan offered to take charge of scheduling a tour of the house with the committee

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Mr. Wakelin to call Mr. Zaro and ask him to work with Mr. Olson on scheduling  
Mr. Ryan to talk to Mr. Zaro about scheduling house tour for committee

Mr. Kelleher to get someone to come up with ideas for clubhouse improvements

Mr. Ryan motioned to adjourn, Mr. Kelleher seconded motion; all were in favor.

***NEXT MEETING:*** Wednesday, December 8, 2021

2/8/22 Pat LaBrecque emailed approved November minutes to Wayne Norling.